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LOSSES IN DVB
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Vidyut Board has been incurring heavy losses unabated;

(b) if so, the losses incurred by the DVB during each of the last three years; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to contain such losses?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : Delhi Vidyut Board (DVB), which is under the administrativeand financial control of the Govt. of NCT of Delhi, has informed that the Board has been incurring losses during the previous years and the losses incurred by DVB during the last three years were Rs.536.31 crores during 1997-98, Rs.1038.95 crores (Provisional) during 1998-99 and Rs.1103.40 crores (Provisional) during 1999-2000.

(c) : Delhi Vidyut Board has informed that they have taken severalsteps to reduce its T&D losses, which inter-alia, include augmentation of T&D System; installation of shunt capacitors; replacement of defectivemeters; improvement in billing and collection procedure; liberalization of commercial polices; holding of camps in unauthorized colonies for sanction of `on the spot electric connections` to avoid theft of electricity and bring the electricity users in main-stream. Besides, the Enforcement/Distribution Department of DVB conducts raids in theft prone areas to curb the menace of power theft